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NY Orthodox In War Against Jerusalem Pool

NEW YORK (NJP)—**ULTRA-ORTHODOX** groups here are stepping up their campaign with public demonstrations against the new Jerusalem swimming pool which will permit mixed bathing, and against Israel and Zionism.

Hasidic groups led primarily by followers of the Satmar Rebbe, and using the name "Committee for Religious Freedom," demonstrated in front of the Israel consulate here Thursday.

Another group of Satmere hasidim on Sunday — 3,200 strong—met at Manhattan Towers to hear Rabbi Yehoshua Levy, spokesman for Agudas Israel of Great Britain, protest to the all-male audience against "the defilement of Jerusalem by . . . establishment of a mixed-bathing swimming pool."

RABBI LEVY also charged Israeli poilce with Nazi-like tactics in dealing with demonstrators in Jerusalem who rallied to protest the swimming pool (NJP, Feb. 28).

Posters denouncing Israel and Zionism in bitter language have appeared on walls of buildings on Fifth Avenue, in the heart of downtown Manhattan.

Some depict Israeli police, Mogen Davids and swastikas on their armbands, holding down a battered Jew. Big letters at the bottom read "and this is religious freedom in Israel."

ANOTHER URGES American Jews to put pressure on Israel by not contributing to the UJA, and thus enabling purchase of truncheons for the Israeli police to "bleed the helpless, religious Jews in Israel.

The Union of Orthodox Rabbis (Agudas Harabonim) meanwhile urged all religious organizations to protest the building of the Jerusalem pool.

THE MANHATTAN TOWERS rally—conducted in orderly fashion—was opened by Rabbi Jonas Horowitz, former chief rabbi of Frankfurt, Germany.

About half way through the meeting the Satmar Rebbe appeared—Rabbi Joel Teitelbaum, former chief rabbi of the Hungarian-Rumanian community, who has a following of about 10,000 Jews in America.

The dais was filled with 60 rabbis representing various Orthodox congregations throughout America, among them Rabbi Jonathan Steif, representing the community of Viennese Jews in America, and Rabbi I. Horowitz, for the German Jews. Rabbi Hersh Maizles, former chief rabbi of Germany, flew in from Chicago to attend the meeting.

Herut Fund-Raising Drive Hits Snag

NEW YORK (NJP)—Herut's plans to launch its own fund-raising campaign in the United States seem to have hit a snag this week.

The United Zionists-Revisionists of America, the arm here of Israel's second largest party, called off a Sunday "kickoff" public conference as a result of a directive from the Herut world executive committee in Jerusalem.

Herut's advance publicity had announced the conference would "proclaim a fund-raising campaign for Herut Revisionist institutions in Israel."

Herut leaders had previously flown to the United States to pave the way for the campaign in fulfillment of a threat (NJP, Jan. 31) to do so if the Keren Hayesod did not increase Herut's share of funds raised here for Israel.

The Sunday conference was scheduled for the Sheraton Astor Hotel.

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Report Herut Agrees To Drop US Drive

JERUSALEM (NJP)—**HERUT PARTY** leaders have agreed to drop their plans for separate fund-raising drives abroad, the Jerusalem Post reported late this week.

The Post said Herut and the Jewish Agency had agreed on a plan for Herut to receive $390,000 in Keren Hayesod funds this year, plus a single payment of $60,000, in lieu of the campaign Herut is cancelling. The money is earmarked for "constructive, not political" purposes. Herut had asked for more money, but agreed to the $390,000 figure, approximately the same as it has been getting, because of "poor fund raising prospects" in the U. S., the Post said.

'No Jewish Viewpoint'

So. Africa Jewish Bd. Refuses To Take Race Relations Stand

JOHANNESBURG (NJP) — The South African Jewish board of deputies "cannot purport to speak in the name of South African Jewry" on the explosive question of race relations because "the viewpoints of individual Jews vary as much as those of their fellow citizens," declared M. Philips, chairman of the board, at its 21st annual convention here.

There "is not and there cannot be a collective Jewish viewpoint" on South African racial policies, he said.

"On the eve of the South African general election, it is opportune to recall the view consistently held by the deputies that for the citizen of the Jewish faith there is no question of attachment or subservience to a Jewish group standpoint in exercising his civic responsibilities at or during an election," the board declared.

There are "happily, no specific 'Jewish issues,'" it added.

The board, however, urged "every Jew to play his part in his own sphere in furthering interracial and intergroup good will and harmony. It is of "overriding importance in the national interest that the racial policies of our country be based on principles of tolerance, justice and respect," the board stated.

SEEK 'SEMITIC' FEDERATION

TEL AVIV (NJP) — Israel's leftist Achdut Avoda party is pushing for a "Semitic" federation of Israel and the recently merged Arab states, J. Ben-Aharon, general secretary of Achdut Avoda, told the Israel daily Haaretz.

Achdut Avoda, he said, will demand that the Israel government take practical political measures envisaging the possibility of a Semitic federation including Israel, which he termed a far more realistic prospect than it may appear.

Histadrut Fails On All Counts, Paper Charges

TEL AVIV (NJP) — Israel's Histadrut has failed both as a labor union and as an owner of economic enterprises, the Israeli daily Haaretz charged this week.

The charge was sounded in answer to a statement by Pinhas Lavon, Histadrut general-secretary, that Israel is a "socialist sea surrounding a capitalistic island."

"Histadrut enterprises compete on their inefficiency with the private enterprises," the newspaper declared. It addd that "As a labor union charged with the professional absorption of the new immigrants, the Histadrut's wage policy resulted in a situation where work can be continued only because of the donations from abroad."

Not socialist blood but American dollars have been responsible for the building up of Israel, Haaretz said.

El Al Cancels Pesah Flight—'Oversight'

NEW YORK (NJP)—An El Al flight scheduled for the first seder night of Passover was cancelled.

A spokesman for El Al told The POST that the scheduling was an oversight, and when brought to the airline's attention, the flight was cancelled. Meanwhile, El Al continues to schedule Sabbath flights.

Realty Bias in Brazil

RIO DE JANEIRO (NJP)—Police are investigating placards on waterfront real estate bearing the legend "Will Not Be Sold to Jews."

The Brazilian Jewish confederation plans to ask intervention by the federal Brazilian government.

Grad School for Bar-Ilan

TEL AVIV (NJP)—A graduate school of community administration and education will be opened at Bar-Ilan University here soon. The university will graduate its first class this June.

Medical School Bias Against Jews High, 5-Year Study Bares

By HARRY HOFFMAN

PHILADELPHIA (NJP) — The Philadelphia Fellowship Commission has reported that it found an "appalling waste of talent" in a five-year study of what happened to 512 pre-medical students when they applied for admissions to medical schools throughout the country.

LEVELING a charge of religious bias in the admission of students, the Commission said that members of religious minorities, otherwise highly qualified, are being skipped over.

The commission said the study disclosed that 12 per cent of Jewish and Catholic students with A grades were rejected, while 100 per cent of Protestant A students were accepted.

"Even more startling," added the report, "was the disclosure that one-third of the Protestant B students, two-thirds of the Jewish B students and more than two-thirds of the Catholic B students failed to gain admission at any medical school in the fall after graduation."

"EMPHASIS on the gifted and on developing one's talents to the utmost for the benefit of society sound like mockery to such students," said David L. Ullman, chairman of the commission's Committee on Opportunities for Higher Education, which conducted the study.

"Society needs the best possible physicians as well as engineers and physicists. To block the development of such talents because of race, religion or national origin is unforgivable in 1958. The various states with medical schools should take prompt action to assure equal treatment and opportunity for all."

THE REPORT said a finding of major concern is the small number of Negroes who formed part of the 512 pre-medical students studied, and the small number of Negroes enrolled in Philadelphia medical schools beginning with the class of 1920.

Of the 512 pre-medical students on which the study was based, 61 per cent were Jewish, 23 per cent were Protestant and 15 per cent were Catholic.

Included in the commission's report are findings of an earlier study by the Jewish Community Relations Council of Greater Philadelphia.

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Maryland to Probe Bias in Colleges

DOVER, Md. (NJP)—Alleged discrimination in Maryland colleges and universities will be probed by a projected joint legislative committee pending passage of a resolution introduced into the Maryland state senate.

The resolution, introduced by Sen. Philip Goodman, charges that many Maryland colleges and universities discriminate against some students because of race, religion or national origin.

Johns Hopkins University and the University of Maryland, both of which receive direct financial aid from the state, were pointed up in the resolution.

Dulles Satisfied With Results In Gaza Strip

WASHINGTON, D. C. (NJP) —Results of Israel's withdrawal from the Gaza Strip have fulfilled maximum expectation, Secretary Dulles told his press conference this week.

He added that while both Egypt and Israel may have had grave concern over the U. S. position on withdrawal, both countries now realize the soundness of the U. S. stand.

Dulles expressed doubt to The POST and OPINION that assumption of leadership in Saudi Arabia by Prince Feisal, King Saud's brother, indicated any change in Saudi Arabia's relations with the U. S., but admitted that it's not easy to evaluate just what has happened.

Dulles reaffirmed the U. S. position that waters encompassing the Gulf of Aqaba beyond the three-mile limit are international, with all nations having the right to free passage.

Egypt Diplomat 'Threatens' US If Israel Aid Continues

ATLANTA (NJP) — Egypt's former delegate to the United Nations, noting here that a United Arab state embracing all Arab nations is a certainty, declared that the expected union may be unfriendly to the U. S. unless this country's policy toward Israel is changed.

"Arabs see the U. S. as a very big brother who backs up tiny Israel when she pushes her Arab neighbors around," said Prof. Hussein K. Selim. "Without U. S. support, which amounts to about $1,000,000 a day, Israel would collapse immediately."

Prof. Selim, who was on a 15-city tour of the South as a goodwill ambassador for the League of Arab States, added that Arabs claim the U. S. is "shockingly partial to Israel."

While pointing directly at Arab faults, said the former undersecretary of the Egyptian Ministry of Information, the U. S. remains "silent and tolerant" about Israel's "misdeeds."

He did not specify what he meant by "misdeeds."

Ex-Red Fast Urges Return to Religion

Youth Indicts Parents for Lack of Interest in Judaism; 'Fragmented' Faith Blamed for Departure From Tradition

By BERNARD LEFKOWITZ

NEW YORK (NJP) — Youth turned the tables and put its parents on trial at the Ninety-Second Street YM and YWHA. The verdict was a qualified "guilty."

LED BY ex-Communist author and lecturer Howard Fast, a special youth forum, entitled "Youth on Trial," developed into a general condemnation of the "cowardly adult generation" and the synagogues "run by check books, not by prayer books."

Fast, whose book sales have topped the 20 million mark said, "If anything, the new generation is a little less bigoted than the one before it." He echoed earlier charges by demanding that the answer of Jewish youth's lack of interest in religion, "be sought in the practices of the synagogues."

"It is impossible," Fast declared, "to put youth on trial and attack them in the name of the guilty." Speaking to the adults on the panel and in the audience he said, "Look into yourselves, ours is a generation without honor and without respect."

THE PROBLEM of apathy among the younger Jews dominated the courtroom styled discussion. Fast, who resigned publicly from the Communist Party last year, observed that youngsters "will act when the conditions for action emerge."

According to the author, the "protest is building up among the Jewish youth and it will explode soon."

Before Fast made his statements, Edward Eddinger, a 22-year-old graduate of Rutgers University, charged that the "fragmented system" of Judaism had contributed to juvenile divorcement from the faith.

"The idea that all those who are not Orthodox are sinners has separated Jewish youth from tradition," he said.

David E. Goldberg, the former editor of "Palestine Information" and the registrar of Purcell University cited figures to substantiate his claim of widespread indifference among Jewish teen-agers and college students.

HE EMPHASIZED that only 102 Jewish youths of 1,100,000 in the United States had emigrated to Israel. Mr. Goldberg added that only 3 per cent of Jews under 22 were affiliated with Zionist organizations.

Herbert Charlup, 20-year-old president of the Nitzahin Young Zionist club, replied to Goldberg's statistics, "It is confusing and difficult enough to be an American and a Jew, let alone to devote oneself to Zionism." He added that there was a definite need for a "united front in Zionism."

Jewish Youth Said Returning to Faith

LOS ANGELES (NJP)—Youth of Jewish faith are showing an increasing willingness to associate themselves with the ethical and religious institutions whose objectives are to emphasize the eternal values.

This keynote was struck by Dr William Haber, national chairman of the Hillel Foundation and Economics Professor at the University of Michigan at the dedication ceremonies for Hillel's new $102,000 building at the University of Southern California.

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Dead Sea Scrolls Research Co-Ordination Urged by Yadin

JERUSALEM (NJP) — **SAVANTS** in Jordan must co-ordinate their research on the Dead Sea Scrolls with those in Israel to prevent addition finds from being scattered, the Israeli Society for Biblical Research urged this week.

Hundreds of fragments of writing found in the Jordan-controlled Dead Sea area have not been properly investigated, declared Dr. Yigal Yadin, Israeli archaeologist. Some have been sold abroad, he added.

Yadin also deplored the fact that the texts found in Jordan had not yet been published by scholars. He noted that scrolls found in Israel had been published and were open to general research.

Opinion was divided at a convention of Dead Sea Scroll scholars over Jesus' relation to the Qumran sect, from which many of the scrolls come. One speaker said Jesus opposed the sect; another, that he was strongly influenced by it.

Even Emasculated FEPC 'Dies' in LA

LOS ANGELES (NJP)—**FEPC APPEARS** to be dead here.

Battered from city to county officials, the local ordinance to establish a Fair Employment Practices Commission was finally killed in a 3-2 vote of the Los Angeles County board of supervisors.

Delays, hearings, long speeches, revisions and emasculations all came to the dead end of a County Supervisors Board vote (and that only by 3-2) to "urge" the State Legislature to do something about it.

ALL THE local Jewish, Negro, and other minority groups backed the original proposal that had enforcement teeth, but were unwilling to go along with a watered down and ineffectual bill. Even that toothless bill was opposed by Chamber of Commerce and Merchant and Manufacture reprerentatives, who claimed little if any job hiring bias existed.

In one hearing the opposition included extremists such as Myron C. Fagan who informed the City Council, which also defeated the bill, that it all began in 1912 when a top English Communist created the ADL and the National Association of Colored People to push through the fair employment ordinance.

Charge Anti-Semitism Still in Germany

BONN, Germany (NJP) — **UNDERCURRENTS** of anti-semitism still exists in Germany, Dr. Franz Boehm declared before the Congress of German Societies for Christian-Jewish Co-Operation in Munich last week.

According to a New York Times report, Dr. Boehm, president of the societies, said existence of anti-semitism in Germany was shown by a speech of Justice Minister Fritz Schaeffer in Bavaria last year in which Schaeffer assailed restitution payments to Jewish victims of Nazism (NJP, March 14).

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Excommunicated Rabbi Hits 'Fanatic' Orthodox

By LILLIAN JACOBSON

TORONTO (NJP) — Rabbi David Graubart lashed back at his Orthodox "inquisitors" in an address at Beth Sholom Synagogue, where he spoke on the topic "Does the Modern Jew Need a Shulhan Aruh?" Rabbi Graubart, who for a time lived in Toronto, is head of the beth din of the Chicago Council of the United Synagogue of America.

Graubart

OBVIOUSLY referring to his "excommunication" by the Union of Orthodox Rabbis (Agudas Harabonim) (NJP, Oct. 18, 1957), although he did not mention his own name nor that of his antagonists, Rabbi Graubart termed their action as smacking of "fanaticism" and militancy."

Dr. Graubart said that whereas Conservative rabbis do not berate or attack members of the Orthodox rabbinate, the reverse is not true, and constant inflammatory statements by Orthodox rabbis are doing much to widen the breach between them.

Declaring that the Conservative movement has taken that which is "authentic and relevant" from the writings and teachings of our sages, Rabbi Graubart reiterated that change in ritual are not made simply for the sake of making Jewish living easier to practice. Each and every modification in Jewish ritual is considered in the light of present-day reality and is agreed upon only after years of study by scholars in the Conservative movement.

USING MEHITZA as an illustration, Rabbi Graubart stated that "we have not done away with this just so that a husband will be able to sit beside his wife, but because our research has shown that there is historical precedent for such a step."

"We in the Conservative movement are the ones who know how to interpret Halaha in the light of present-day circumstances." In answer to a question as to the relationship between the Chicago beth din and the beth din in Israel, Dr. Graubart replied "the relationship is not a 'hot' one."

MAGAZINE HITS FOR AD 'FAKERY'

DENVER, Colo. (NJP)—The Jewish Frontier, labor Zionist magazine, was given a sharp editorial rap on its knuckles by Robert Gamzey, editor of the Intermountain Jewish News, in his "Schmoos" column.

The Frontier was singled out for condemnation by the Better Business Bureau for fake ad invoices, Gamzey said. "Isn't it disgraceful that a national labor Zionist organization should close its eyes to such fakery by its national magazine?" he asked.

Need to Rescue Refugees Still Great

BOSTON (NJP) — Many Jewish refugees still remain in hostile countries, Max Lerner, newspaperman and professor at Brandeis University told the more than 700 women of the Combined Jewish Appeal and Rescue Fund at its annual meeting. "These refugees must be rescued not only from death, but from spiritual bondage and spiritual death," he said.

Israel Can Look After Herself—'If'

LOS ANGELES (NJP) — Israel can look after itself "if there is no wholesale dumping of arms in the Middle East by the major powers."

The Commander of Israel's Air Force, Brigadier General Dan Tolkowsky, told this to a large Los Angeles audience which also heard him stress Israel's desire to achieve economic self-sufficiency.

"We are," General Tolkowsky said, "a thriving going concern, but we do need additional resources and we do need peace in order to work out our long range economic program."

Editor Tells Threats

LOS ANGELES (NJP) — Valley Jewish News editor Jess Nathan has reported receiving anonymous telephone threats following publication of a series of articles detailing anti-Jewish atrocities allegedly committed by Andre Artukovic, whose extradition from the United States is sought by Yugoslavia. Artukovic is living at a seaside resort near Los Angeles.

Israel Tennis Stars Get Bid For Extended Tour of US

TEL AVIV (NJP)—**ISRAEL'S TWO** leading tennis stars, Arieh Avidan and Elezar Davidman, are scheduled to play the American circuit this summer at the invitation of the U. S. Committee for Sports in Israel. It will be their first appearance in the U. S. in competitive tennis.

The committee has undertaken to be hosts to Israel's Davis Cup pair for a period of several months, Avram Feiger, secretary of the Israel Lawn Tennis Association, told The POST and OPINION.

The netmen may play in the U. S. national singles and doubles championships, though their final program of tournaments has not yet been worked out.

Negotiations at the American end are being conducted by Samuel Sloan, executive director of the committee, and Charles Silver, its tennis director. This is the first time the committee has extended such an invitation to tennis players here.

According to present plans, Avidan and Davidman will go to America after a visit to Britain and France starting at the end of May. They will take part in a number of tournaments in these countries, but it has not yet been decided whether they will compete at Wimbledon as last year. In all they are expected to be abroad at least four months.

The U. S. tour will be made in conjunction with Israel's participation for the second year running in the American zone of the Davis Cup.

Avidan, a 30-year-old official in the Israel Treasurey, has represented Israel five times in Davis Cup play. Davidman, 21, who recently completed his Army stint, will be playing for the third time.

Israel hopes to hold a tennis tournament here at the end of May as part of Israel's Tenth Anniversary celebration, Feiger announced. Leading players from abroad are being invited to compete in this event.

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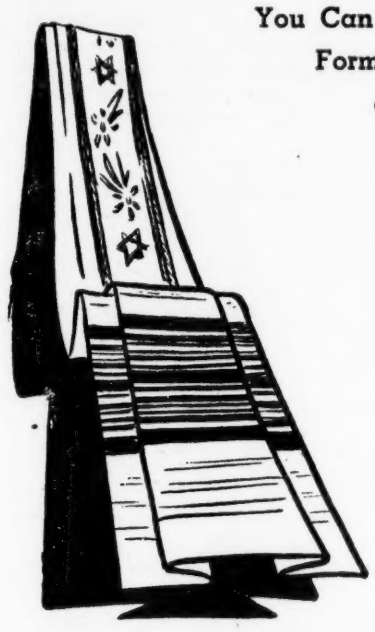

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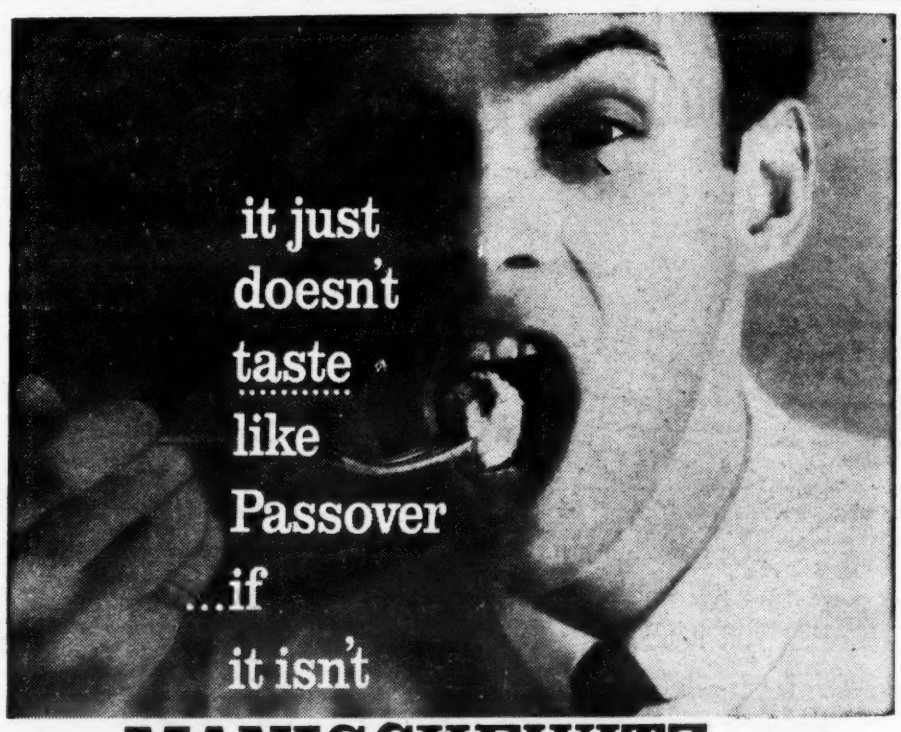

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ISRAEL'S FUTURE 'MOST UNCERTAIN' – KENNEDY

By DRAKE MABRY

DES MOINES, Iowa (NJP)—United States Senator John F. Kennedy (D., Mass.) said here last week that the future of Israel and the entire Middle East is "most uncertain."

SEN. KENNEDY spoke to a committee in charge of the sale of Israel Bonds while he was in Des Moines to speak at a statewide Jackson Day dinner (at $25 a plate) for Iowa Democrats.

He said that nations who desire friendly relations with Israel find it difficult because of the tension in that part of the world.

"And we can look forward to a substantial period of such tension," he said.

THE SOFT-SPOKEN, ever-smiling Kennedy said the communists will continue to associate and help the anti-Israel groups.

"So the U. S. and other free countries have a special responsibility to help Israel," he added.

He called for a "closer association" by the United States with pro-Israel countries in the Middle East. He said we should assist these countries and help them form a cohesive group, "extend them the hand of friendship" and help solve their internal problems.

SEN. KENNEDY said it was of utmost importance for the United States to show Israel and other friendly nations that we (the United States) are more interested in their problems than Russia.

Said Kennedy of the Russian threat: "It's a real one, make no doubt of that."

Kennedy took time to meet the some 25 Jewish people at the meeting and chat a few minutes with them.

He said there was "no need to say anything additional about the need for Israel Bonds because I myself hold one."

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No Bar on Zionist Political Activity, Says Ben-Gurion

JERUSALEM (WNS) — Formal denial that he had entered into an agreement with Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Zionist Organization, under which the organization would be free to engage in political activity, was made here by Premier David Ben-Gurion in a statement issued by his office following news reports that an agreement had been reached.

The statement read: "As a result of a mistaken interpretation of the address of the president of the World Zionist Organization at the opening session of the Zionist actions committee, untrue allegations have been made by several speakers and newspapers about an agreement between the Premier and Dr. Goldmann to permit the World Zionist organization to engage in political activity.

"The Premier did not enter into any such agreement. He never enters any agreement unless the matter is discussed and decided upon by the Cabinet, and there has been no discussion in the Cabinet on whether the Zionist organization should engage in political activity."

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Two World Zionist Groups Will Use Identical Titles

NEW YORK (NJP)—The split in world Zionist ranks remained as wide as ever—or possibly even widened—this week as the two main General Zionist bodies met respectively in England and Israel, each calling itself the World Confederation of General Zionists.

Ostensible issue—as first reported last summer in The POST and OPINION—is over affiliation with political parties in Israel, but other overtones were detected in the news emanating from London and Tel Aviv.

IN LONDON Dr. Nahum Goldmann, World Zionist Organization president, in a cable hailed the announcement that the World Confederation of General Zionists ("non-identification" branch) had re-organized, as a purely Diaspora organization, with 500,000 members in 22 countries, guided by the principle of non-identification with Israel political parties.

Dr. Israel Goldstein and Mrs. Rose Halprin are co-chairmen of the new executive, which includes the U. S. Hadassah, the Zionist Federation of Great Britain and Ireland, 12 Latin American Zionist groups, and several other European and North African groups. The American Jewish League for Israel, formed last year, in a break-away from the Zionist Organization of America, also affiliated with the new confederation.

MEANWHILE, in Tel Aviv, Dr. Emanuel Neumann was re-elected head of the World Conference of General Zionists (other side of the coin), which announced that it would not change its name unless what it termed "the dissident Progressive minority which quit the World Confederation" agrees to surrender the same name.

The Tel Aviv meeting voted to change its name to "World Union of General Zionists" if the opposing group would change its name also.

And, as the Bard of Avon said, what's in a name?

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IT'S ALL IN YOUR POINT OF VIEW

JERUSALEM (NJP) — In sharply contrasting statements, here is what the heads of the two World Confederations of General Zionists had to say about each other's activities:

Dr. Emanuel Neumann, in Tel Aviv, called the London conference of the "re-organized" WCGZ a "tragic development in the Zionist movement."

Dr. Israel Goldstein and Mrs. Rose Halprin, in a press conference in Jerusalem, declared that the London conference was "a turning point" in the history of the Zionist movement.

'Helpers Should Become Partners'

Israel Feeling of 'Sovereignty' Criticized by Dr. Goldmann

JERUSALEM (NJP) — Jews throughout the world will have to be partners, not helpers, if Israel's problems for the next 10 years are to be solved, Dr. Nahum Goldmann declared here this week.

He also said Israelis were too cocksure in their belief that they could take care of themselves, and had begun to develop a "non-sensical feeling of sovereignty" toward other Jewish communities.

Goldmann

Dr. Goldman, World Zionist Organization head, reiterated that there is no chance for Israel to solve her basic problems unless she enlists the aid of the Diaspora.

Dr. Goldmann, emphasizing his opposition to Zionist affiliation with Israel's political parties, nevertheless declared that too many of the world's Jews were content to contribute money to Israel, and not take any responsibility in building Israel.

Israel and the Zionist movement have been living beyond their means, Goldmann said, and Israel now has had more and more to go on its knees to the Jews of the world, begging for help."

Dutch Jews Will Rally

AMSTERDAM — Holland's Israel 10th anniversary committee has scheduled two mass meetings —one at The Hague on April 27 and the other in Amsterdam May 4.

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DEBATE IN ISRAEL:

A Jew Is A Jew If He Says So: Sharett; A Jew Must Prove Himself: Warhaftig

JERUSALEM (NJP)—**WHEN IS A** Jew a Jew?

According to an Israeli ministry of interior directive, "A Jew is any person honestly describing himself as a Jew."

But Dr. Z. Warhaftig, deputy director of the Israeli ministry for religious affairs, says that a man is a Jew when he proves he's a Jew.

The ministry of interior directive, sent as instructions this week to district offices, was written by Moshe Sharett in 1946. It derives its legal basis from a note by Israel's attorney general, which declares that "The fact that, according to 'the law of Moses and of Israel' a man is considered non-Jewish does not prevent that man from being considered a Jew as regards the law of the state, and vice versa; there is no contradiction between the two."

DR. WARHAFTIG, on the other hand, charged that "It was not up to the secular Jew to determine who was a Jew and who was not—this was fixed by halaha."

Ascertaining the religious affiliation of an individual for his identity card is as important as verifying his correct age, since religion determines the laws of personal status, he declared.

Meanwhile, a reader of the Jerusalem Post, I. Olsvanger of Jerusalem defined a Jew as, "any man who puts on tefillin, or one who does not and is, because of that, blamed by those who do."

The proof of this definition, he said, is that "no one will ever blame Dr. Nkrumah, Sir Winston Churchill or Mr. Nehru for not putting on tefillin."

Ridiculing Sharett's definition of a Jew, he declared it was comparable to defining a circle as "a geometrical figure commonly called a circle!"

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JEWS CALL SELVES ANGLO-SAXONS

JERUSALEM (NJP) — A Jerusalem Post reader, Esther Huber of Kfar Bilu, wants to know "why on earth Jews are coming from English-speaking countries call themselves 'Anglo-Saxons'?

"Has anyone ever heard of a German Jew calling himself an 'Indo-Jew' or a 'Teuton,' or any of our excellent first settlers from Eastern Europe boasting of being 'Slavs'?

"Might as well try Celto-Picts or Normans for a change," she declared. "Personally just plain 'British' would, in that case, be definitely more correct," she added.

Artificial Insemination Legal, Chief Rabbi Nissim Rules

NEW YORK (NJP)—Children born as a result of artificial insemination are not illegitimate according to a reported ruling by Israeli Chief Rabbi Nissim.

Rabbi Nissim is thus showing that Jewish law is not out-of-date and can meet modern conditions, said a United Press dispatch reprinted in the Intermountain Jewish News of Denver, Colo.

Rabbi Nissim also ruled that men and women may sit together at Orthodox religious worship in the kibbutzim. Such liberal rulings have helped spur a campaign for religious revival in the kibbutzim, according to the report.

Of the 34 kibbutzim Rabbi Nissim has visited, five have set up synagogues, six have agreed to shehita according to Jewish law, and 20 agreed to have mezuzot affixed to their doorposts.

LOOKING BACKWARD

Bayer Aspirin Co. Fires 13 'Non-Aryan' Hungarian Jews

20 YEARS AGO

Bayer Aspirin Co. in Hungary fired 13 employees because they were "non-Aryan" in origin. . . . State department officials were reported to be investigating "the workings of a Nazi-inspired attempt to launch a chain of pro-Nazi, anti-Semitic newspapers throughout the United States."

10 YEARS AGO

The American Jewish Congress scored the Anti-Defamation League for pushing "better manners" to combat anti-Semitism. . . . The New York Times assailed America's "surrender to the threat of force" by backing down on its support of the Palestine partition. . . . The Jewish community in Palestine intends to seize government concontrol as soon as the British mandate is ended, declared Moshe Shertok (now Sharett), foreign secretary of the Palestine provisional government.

FIVE YEARS AGO

The American Jewish committee charged the Jewish Agency with "irresponsibility" for failing to consult the AJCongress before calling a meeting in Zurich, Switzerland, to consider action on Soviet anti-Semitism. . . . Rabbi Abraham Burstein, editor of the Mizrachi organ Outlook, chided New York Jews for avoiding 13th-floor apartments.

ONE YEAR AGO

Israel must be "deZionized," declared Elmer Berger of the American Council for Judaism. . . . Jews are losing their "unadjustedness," warned Will Herberg. . . . Dr. Robert Gordis termed the American religious revival genuine but without depth.

COCOA IS POISON

JERUSALEM — Cocoa prepared with milk left standing over night was blamed for poisoning 700 school children here this month.

US Sets Up Office to Offset Job Bias Against Jews in LA

By LEONARD LEADER

LOS ANGELES (NJP)—**THE NATIONS** second regional office on government contracts will be established here as a result of a series of complaints on job discrimination made by the Southwest regional office of the Anti-Defamation League.

The ADL's complaints, 202 in number, substantiated charges that many employers in the area were placing discriminatory job orders for workers on government contracts.

Jews who had all the qualifications, but the wrong religion, were high on the list. Other complaints described similar practices against Negroes, Orientals and Mexicans.

News about the establishment of the area office of the President's Committee on Government Contracts was given to the local Jewish leaders at a special meeting of 150 representatives of Los Angeles race and human relations agencies. The first office is in Chicago.

Non-discrimination clauses in government contracts is mandatory under law.

Vice-President Nixon spoke at the meeting, pointing out that "too often we Southern Californians assume prejudice and job discrimination exists only in other parts of the country."

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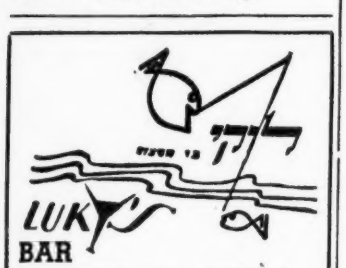

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Your Name

Want to know what your name means? Address your questions to Mr. Pearlroth, National Jewish POST and OPINION, Box 1633, Indianapolis 6, Indiana.

By N. PEARLROTH

DEAR MR. PEARLROTH: For years I have been fascinated by your learned commentary upon Jewish family names. Now I should like to submit my own name for your eluciadation. I have never been able to get any real insight into its origin. Even Professor Levi Ginzberg (bless the memory of the righteous) was stumped by it. The name is Kieval. (My father and grandfather [may they be remembered for good] spelled it Kivel). The family came from Lithuania, not far from the Poniewiez Yeshiva. We are Israelis. I hope you will be able to enlighten me.—HERMAN KIEVAL, Rabbi, Temple Israel, Albany, New York.

KIVEL is a Jewish version of Kiwile, the name of three villages in the district of Szawle, Lithuania. These three villages were formerly consolidated in one district known as the district of Kiwile, with a governor and district administration of its own. At the time Russian Jews adopted permanent family names (1804) there were three Jewish families resident in the district. One or more of them adopted the geographical name in a Jewish guise as their family appellation and this is how the name descended to you.

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DEAR MR. PEARLROTH: I have read in The National Jewish POST and OPINION that you can trace names to where they came from. When my grandfather came over from the Old Country their name was Von Zulauf. On arrival they changed their name to Zulauf. I recently saw the picture "War and Peace"; in it there is a quotation saying: "I just want to settle down in a nice little house, not an estate like Count Von Zulauf's in Austria." My grandfather also had an estate in Austria and was forced out; my father told me that it was burned by the Russians and the Germans. We are not sure of the exact location but know that it is near a range of mountains.—ALAN ZULAUF, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

ZULAUF is a German word meaning "a rush, a great crowd of people," but your name has nothing to do with that. Zulauf is derived from the little town or village of Zulow, in the district of Lublintz, in Upper Silesia. The unofficial German name of Zulow, was Zulau, which may have been the original name of your family. The change to Zulauf which made better sense to the younger generation is a natural. To my regret I cannot find that the Jewish Zulaufs were ever ennobled with the particle "von." The non-Jewish Zulauf who became a member of the Austrian nobility was Nikolaus Zulauf who was Austrian consul general in Bucarest, Rumania, and who was knighted in 1866 and given the title of Von Pottenburg. His name, too, is derived from Zulow. At the time he was knighted he was granted permission to drop the name of Zulauf.

Anti-Semitism on Rise Behind Iron Curtain, Particularly In Poland, Czechoslovakia

By BERNARD LEFKOWITZ

NEW YORK (NJP) — Anti-semitism is on the rise everywhere behind the Iron Curtain, but it is "particularly prevalent in Poland and Czechoslovakia.

"THIS WAS THE one inescapable fact that remained with me after my trip to Eastern Europe," Rabbi Harold H. Gordon, told a somber audience at City College's Hillel house last week.

Rabbi Gordon spoke on "The Truth About the Jews Behind the Iron Curtain."

"Although the mounds of bones that were once Jews still mark Auschwitz and Birkenau, Polish hostility toward the Jews has vaulted tremendously in the past two years," Rabbi Gordon said.

BEFORE THE WAR three and a half million Jews lived in Poland. Now there are about 35,000, the rabbi noted.

"Even this handful is dwindling," he continued. "At the slightest opportunity the Polish Jew is ready to sever his roots and migrate to Israel."

RABBI HAROLD GORDON
. . . 'Inescapable Fact'

As the executive vice-president of the New York board of rabbis, Dr. Gordon led a delegation of rabbis which visited the USSR, Poland and Czechoslovakia in 1956 and 1957, for the first time in 40 years.

IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA, he observed that anti-semitism is reflected in "governmental actions rather than communal attitudes."

While in Prague, he witnessed a mass trial of rabbis. "The charge against them was pro-Western allegiance, but the real reason for their imprisonment was that they wanted to perpetuate their religion," he declared.

Rabbi Gordon labeled the Czech policy as the most rigid and inflexible of all Iron Curtain countries. "It's worse than Stalinist days," he said.

"YOU COULD almost see the longing and suffering in the eyes of the Jews in Russia. But publicly at least the Russian leaders do not condone anti-Jewish feeling. In Poland the government recognizes the terrible public animosity and tries to ameliorate the situation by letting some Jews leave the country. But in Czechoslovakia," Rabbi Gordon concluded, "hatred is encouraged and religion is suffocated."

Reports of Aliva From Japan Are 'Exaggerated'

WASHINGTON, D. C. (NJP) —Stories that large numbers of Japanese planned to settle in Israel—like the reports of Mark Twain's death — have been slightly exaggerated," Israel's economic minister, Pinhas Sapir, told The POST and OPINION this week.

Sapir, who paid a courtesy call on the state department, declared that it is "quite true" that the brother of Japan's emperor speaks Hebrew. "He reads and writes Hebrew, and is a fine Hebrew scholar," Sapir said.

Sapir told The POST and OPINION he has just completed a five-week trip to the Far East where he negotiated agreements and made purchases in Burma, Thailand, Australia and Japan.

Would he extend his visit to the U. S.? An aide laughed and said "I'm certain the minister would be happy to extend his visit in order to arrange another loan.

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WHAT'S DOING IN NEW YORK

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Tuesday, April 1, 6:30 p. m. **Farewell dinner to Inbal,** tendered by the American-Israel Cultural foundation. Waldorf-Astoria Hotel.

LECTURES AND SYMPOSIUMS

Tuesday, April 1, 8:40 p. m. **"The Image of the Jew in Literature,"** lecture by Charles Angoff. YM-YWHA, 92d St. and Lexington Ave. Admission $1.

Wednesday, April 2, 6:30. **"Man and Israel in Relation to God,"** lecture by Dr. Leon A. Feldman. YM-YWHA, 92d St. and Lexington Ave. Admission $1.

Wednesday, April 2, 8 p. m. **"The Dead Sea Scrolls and the Bible,"** lecture by the Very Rev. Patrick W. Skehan, The Catholic University of America. One of a series of six public lectures, entitled "The Land of the Bible—Past and Present," sponsored by the department of Hebrew culture and education, New York University. La Guardia hall, 51 W. 4th St.

Thursday, April 3, 6:30 p. m. **"The Jewish Background of Christian Festivals and Liturgy,"** lecture by Dr. Theodore H. Gaster. YM-YWHA, 92d St. and Lexington Ave. Admission $1.

THEATER AND MUSIC

"Sof Haolam," by Shamir, a Hebrew play presented by Habima Haktana. Saturday and Sunday evenings through April. Tickets at Herzliah Hebrew Teacher's Institute, 314 W. 91st St., TR 7-4885. Admission, $1.50-$3.

Where To Find Your National Jewish Organization

Anti-Defamation League of B.B., 515 Madison Ave., New York 22, N. Y.

Farband Labor Zionist Order, 45 E. 17th St., N Y 4—OR 3-6500.

Jewish National Fund, 42 East 69th St., New York 21—VA 6-3780.

Kashruth Supervisors Union. 205 W 14th St. — AL 5-7330.

National Community Relations Advisory Council, 55 West 42d St., LO 4-3450.

Union of American Hebrew Congregations, 838 Fifth Ave RE 7-8200.

Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America, 305 Broadway New York 7 N Y BE 3-2220.

ART

Art exhibit: Works of Abram Tromka. Showing includes oil paintings, etchings and drawings on Jewish themes. House of Living Judaism, 838 Fifth Ave., Feb. 1-Mar. 31.

Commemoration Exhibit: Works of Arthur Kaufman, commemorating his 70th birthday. Exhibits will include 31 oil paintings. Feb. 20-March 31. The Jewish museum of the Jewish Theological Seminary, 1109 Fifth Ave., corner 92d St.

Art Exhibit: Jewish Ceremonial Objects. A selection of Jewish religious and ceremonial objects from the Jewish Museum of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. March 4-28. East River savings bank, Rockerfeller plaza at 50th St.

Art Exhibit: Works of Ben-Zion. An exhibition of watercolors, gouaches and etchings. March 5-29. The Deitsch gallery, 51 E. 73d St.

Art Exhibit: Jehudith Sobel-Cukierman presents paintings from 1947-1957. March 4-28. Theodor Herzl institute.

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Sunday, March 30, 9:30 a. m. EST—Radio premiere of "Passover to Freedom" by the composer, Dr. A. W. Binder, in commemoration of Passover, on Church of the Air program, CBS.

Sunday, March 30, 10:05 a. m. EST—Dr. Jonah B. Wise of Central Synagogue, New York City, founder and moderator of Message of Israel program, to discuss "Rabbi in America: The Story of Isaac Mayer Wise" with its author, Dr. Israel Knox, professor of philosophy, New York University, on Message of Israel program, ABN.

Sunday, March 30, 12:30 p. m. EST—"My Son, the Convict," the story of a little boy who is imprisoned for not having bought a ticket for the train he is on, in commemoration of Passover, by Joseph Mindel, on Eternal Light program, NBC.

Nazi Slaves in Israel

TEL AVIV (NJP)—An appeal for one-time slave laborers at Farben and other major German plants has resulted in the registration of about 200 persons living in all parts of the country. They are being listed in an endeavor to secure compensation from Farben and the other firms concerned.

REPORT FROM HOLLYWOOD

Celluloid 'Marjorie' Will Neither Convert Nor Corrupt

By SHIMON WINCELBERG

I remember "Marjorie Morningstar" as a rather carelessly-written novel, which also betrayed some unexpected touches of snobbery (toward the Bronx, toward "serious" novelists, toward Jewish middle-class "Shirleys"), but it contained a many wonderfully entertaining scenes, and some intriguing attempts to blend sex and kashrut on a popular, soft-cover level. And in Noel Airman it surely created one of the more memorable characters of contemporary American fiction.

SEEING THE film version just released by Warner Bros. makes on think back rather nostalgically upon the book. Not that the result isn't a big, competent package of entertainment, and not that both Natalie Wood and Gene Kelly aren't surprisingly good. Even the Jewish aspects were handled quite satisfyingly from a mass-audience point of view. There is a seder and a bar mitzva, neither of which contains any of those bitter intramural gibes which, in the book, made some people wonder whether this is really the way a distinguished spokesman for tradition sees middle-class Jewish life.

Religiously-speaking, of course, the two Jewish scenes are something of a mish-mash. The women start out for "temple" with pocketbooks, but wind up in a proper synagogue (filmed at the Jewish Home for the Aged on the East Side of L. A.) with separate seating. And while the bar mitzva boy (a product of Beth Jacob, Beverly Hills' only Orthodox synagogue) does a fine job reading from the Tora, the 3d Commandment, as usual, gets kicked all over the place.

MORE INTERESTING is the seder, which is brief, undisturbed by the book's wonderful vegeterian aunt or the magnificently anti-social "Neville the Devil," and is conducted by Papa Everett Sloane in the pleasant antiseptic Sunday school manner with which they always do these things under UAHC sponsorship on TV.

The funny part is that for the shooting of this scene the studio had publicized the technical supervision of a whole battery (anyway, the rabbi and the musical director) of Brandeis Camp experts, whose only visible contribution to the finished product would have been to supervise the setting of the table, the white "kittel" on the father, and the flurry of "Had Gadya" on the soundtrack as Noel, sickened with his own feeling of alienation (what a departure from the book!), walks out.

AS FOR the cast, Everett Sloan's Mr. Morningstar is a fine job from an anti-defamation point of view, but not much of a characterization. Claire Trevor, also a normally fine actress plays Marjorie's mother like a razor-eyed yenta from Beverly Drive, and Ed Wynn's uncle Samson is both funny and teaching, but also has little relation to the vigorous and thoroughly Jewish and earthy uncle of the book.

The script, while using far too little of the book's sharp observation and witty dialogue, manages a more satisfying ending, and sensibly limits Noel's campaign of seduction to the comparatively uncomplicated area of sex, thus sparing us the untold morbid sight of Natalie Wood shudderingly mouthing her first fatal morsel of forbidden food.

NY Times Challenged to Give 'Full Facts' In Fine Resignation

AUGUSTA, Ga. (NJP) — **THE AUGUSTA CHRONICLE,** one of Georgia's two major-ranking daily newspapers outside Atlanta, has urged the New York Times to "give the public full facts" about Dr. Benjamin Fine's reasons for leaving the newspaper as education editor.

"There is an element of mystery surrounding the departure" of Dr. Fine to become dean of the education school of Yeshiva University in New York City, the Chronicle said in an editorial.

The Georgia newspaper, noting that "no further details were given" by the Times other than that Dr. Fine had resigned to take his new post, said that "Newsweek magazine gives some insight, at least, into the reasons surrounding his departure."

SAID THE Chronicle: "It is reported that he (Fine) was dropped by the Times because of his personal involvement, as a reporter in the Little Rock school integration question."

The Chronicle added: "Dr. Fine made a spectacle of himself at Little Rock. He discarded his objectively as a reporter and became an actor in the drama rather than simply reporting the facts in the case."

(The Chronicle apparently referred to the fact that one of the agitators in the mob at Little Rock school insulted Dr. Fine and went on to ask him where he was from and whether he was Jewish.)

"Readers with good memories," the Chronicle continued, "will recall Dr. Fine's appearance a few years ago before a congressional committee when he explained his activities as a member of the Communist Party while he was a student in college.

"The New York Times," which it prints all the news that is 'fit to print,' should give the public the full facts about Dr. Fine's bill of divorcement—why he left the newspaper," the Chronicle summed up.

Drought in Negev

JERUSALEM (NJP) — A severe drought threatened Israel's Negev this week, wiping out at least 15,000 acres of Negev field crops.

Twenty thousand acres of land were saved, however, by auxiliary irrigation.

Israel to Host Labor Seminar

TEL AVIV (NJP)—Israel will be host to trade union and cooperative movement leaders from Asia and Africa attending a seminar on operating methods here this fall.

Histadrut is building friendship with these countries through its program of technical assistance. The labor federation has been host to trade union study missions from Pakistan, Indonesia and Tunisia, although these Moslem states do not recognize Israel.

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US DENIES APPEAL BY PUBLISHER WHO RAN GUNS FOR ISRAEL

By MILTON SHAPIRO

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (NJP)—Herman M. (Hank) Greenspun, dynamic Jewish publisher of the Las Vegas Sun, has been turned down for the fifth consecutive time by Washington in a never-ending fight to have his civil rights restored—rights he lost by running guns to aid Israel's fight for independence.

Editor Greenspun is a devout Jew with the courage of his convictions and one willing to fight.

A captain in World War II, Greenspun was decorated with the croix de guerre by France. He is a close friend of David Ben-Gurion.

FOLLOWING World War II, Greenspun, a qualified attorney in New York, came West to Las Vegas to set up shop. During the course of his outspoken tenure, he was indicted under alleged violation of the Neutrality Act for aiding in the shipment of planes to Israel. He drew an acquittal on the charge after three and one-half months of trial in the Federal Court, Los Angeles.

He was re-indicted with another group allegedly sending arms and munitions to Israel by way of Mexico. To this, Greenspun pleaded guilty, on advice of counsel. Charges against members of the Hagana, who allegedly manned the refugee ships from Mexico, were dismissed, although there was an attempt made by the government to trace the source of alleged monies being sent Israel at the time.

Greenspun was fined $10,000. The tab was picked up by Friends of Israel. Application for pardon was made to the President.

"IF IT CAN be called a crime, it is one of principle and not one for personal gain," Greenspun contends.

"I am consistently being informed by sources close to the attorney general's office that "the United States does not want to disturb the Arab world," Greenspun states. He adds, "being stripped of my civil rights, I am not permitted the God-given right to vote or hold office."

IN 1954 GREENSPUN was brought into Federal court for indictment on alleged violation of Section 1461, Title 18, United States Code, for 'knowingly depositing for mailing 874 copies of the Jan. 8, 1954 issue of the Las Vegas Sun, which newspaper contained nonmailable matter of an indecent character tending to incite murder or assassination, to wit, Sen. Joseph McCarthy in an words and figures as follows . . ."

From his page one daily column, "Where I Stand,," Greenspun took off in no uncertain terms on the late Sen. Joe McCarthy, the late Sen. Pat McCarran of Nevada and columnist Westbrook Pegler.

Complaint was filed by McCarthy. At the conclusion of the hearings no action was taken because there no moral terpitude was proved.

In 1956 Greenspun applied for passport to Israel, which Greenspun said, was held up for three months. I was, however, given a three months restricted visa, Greenspun stated.

OWNER OF KLAS-TV, Las Vegas, Greenspun met his wife, after the war, in a Belfast, Ireland synagogue.

"I remember it distinctly," he boasts, "because it was raining as usual in Ireland." His family life is a happy one with wife Barbara and children Susan, Brian, Janey and Danny.

His brother, who was a radio engineer at WNYC, New York City, is now chief engineer at KLAS-TV. Sister Alice Querze works on the Sun.

The clincher, of course, is Editor Greenspun's father, Samuel, 69 years old. Well versed in Hebrew history and literature, he bombards Hank with daily suggestions.

"YUP," BRAGS Greenspun, grinding out a daily column can be a chore, but 'Pop' furnishes plenty of ideas and I love him for it."

Publisher Greenspun is harsh in his political criticism. He lashes out with "the greatest diplomatic blunder of our time is the giveaway of the Suez Canal to Russia. It will take a war to rectify this one. The administration joined Russia to defeat Israel. It's a simple case of Russia controlling the Suez through Nasser."

In August, 1956, in convention in Milwaukee, the Jewish War Veterans commended Greenspun's stand and unanimously sent resolutions to the President and attorney general, requesting his pardon.

Greenspun's allies claim, "he (Greenspun) is certainly not a criminal, neither is he a hero. His is the crime of Lafayette!"

AMONG THOSE who have advocated Greenspun's pardon are the late Judge Pierson Hall of Los Angeles, the Governor of Nevada, Charlie Russell, and the Mayor of Las Vegas, C. D. Baker.

It would probably take a staff of researchers years to catalogue and cross-section the files of material housed in Greenspun's office.

I THINK AS I PLEASE

Who Will Be the Two Millionth Israeli?

By CARL ALPERT

HAIFA—In the torrent of statistics which periodically pour forth from government offices in Jerusalem, there was one figure which perhaps went almost unnoticed by readers of the press. The announcement tersely declared that as of the end of 1957 Israel's population had risen to 1,976,000. We have become so used to progress reports of this nature that the mind hardly more than made mental note that the population was increasing steadily.

Alpert

YET AFTER I had skimmed the item, I went back over it once more, and the significance of the news struck me. A quick, simple, arithmetic calculation revealed that Israel is short only 24,000 persons to reach a total population of a round two million. I checked once more, and upon ascertaining the average monthly increase of the past year, determined that the trend as indicated for this year fixed the date of the arrival of the 2,000,000th resident roughly at somewhere in mid-April. By an interesting coincidence it thus appears that Israeli Number Two Million will arrive around Independence Day, marking Israel's tenth anniversary.

What welcome will greet this epochal arrival, what celebrations planned, what honors heaped upon the innocent, bewildered individual who by quirk of fate and numerical succession finds himself suddenly separated from the throng, and standing in the center of the stage, with the spotlights fixed upon him?

Who will Number Two Million be? Many of this year's immigrants to Israel come from Poland. It could well be that some unsuspecting Jew who had lived through the horrors of the World War, and had barely survived a concentration camp, may find himself to be this historic personality. Years of suffering, torture, loneliness and longing would suddenly be superceded by fame and honors. He would perhaps understand that he was but the symbol of the countless unknowns who had perished in the holocaust, and that his emergence in this fashion was but history's way of underscoring the inevitable laws of compensatory adjustment.

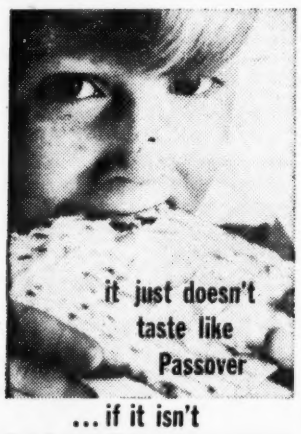
BUT PERHAPS the inexorable slicking of the turnstiles will turn up the fateful number on a young American, fresh out of college, as he alights from his plane at Lydda airport. Under such circumstances it would seem that fate was being ironical, considering the relatively small number of Americans in Israel. On the other hand, the thoughtful seer might find significance not in the fact that an American immigrant completed Israel's first two million, but rather that it was an American who stood on the threshhold as Israel embarked upon its third million!

Number Two Million need not necessarily be an immigrant. Close to 50,000 births are indicated for Israel during 1958. The first piercing cry of a newborn babe in a hospital somewhere in Israel may herald the arrival of the historic personality. Born to what parents? To a young sabra couple, whose parents had themselves come to the land 30 years or more ago? To a proud Jerusalem or Safed family which traces its ancestry in Palestine back 5500 years or more, and for whom the newcomer is but another notch in a long succession of native generations?

SOME PREGNANT Yemenite mother, humbly following the plough in a Jerusalem corridor village, may be carrying the child who will be hailed and photographed and toasted in the context of Israel's anniversary celebration.

If the authorities are meticulous in their reckoning, and statistically objective in the chronological sequence of recorded arrivals, it could well happen that 1958's historical arrival might be the dark-skinned child of a Bedouin mother, who came upon her labor pains under the cover of a goatskin tent in the Negev.

New immigrant or native-born child, Jew or Arab, boy or girl, Number Two Million should begin life here with every advantage of fate and fortune, yet also with the weight of those strange handicaps which notoriety inevitably brings in its wake. One can only ponder on what the future holds in store for the one who is beneficiary of a mathematical accident. Will he go through life proudly availing himself of lifetime passes on trains and busses, permanent entry tickets to concerts and movies—or will he quickly sink into merciful obscurity, only to reveal himself to some curious newspapermen, years later, on the occasion of Israel's 50th anniversary, or the arrival of Number Three Million?



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CATHOLIC PRESSURE DEFEATS NY SABBATH LAW; SOLONS MUM

A BILL that would have permitted a relaxation of New York's Sunday blue laws was defeated by a vote of 85 to 61 this week by the New York state assembly.

The bill would have opened the way to enactment of a New York City council ordinance permitting storekeepers observing the Sabbath on Saturday to keep open on Sunday.

Major opposition to the bill came from the Roman Catholic church. Although the bill was defeated, it was the first such bill to reach the floor of the assembly for a vote in 50 years.

CATHOLIC pressure was reported so strong on legislators that not one of the 85 who voted against the bill spoke against the bill on the floor, thus eliminating real debate on the issues, the New York Post charged.

The Post also reported that many legislators privately said they preferred not to have their comments published as to why they voted against the bill. In fact, some assemblymen tried to keep the vote itself from being made public.

$500,000 Budget To Fight Zionism

THE AMERICAN Council for Judaism adopted a $500,000 budget to fight Zionism as it concluded its four-day annual conference in Houston, Tex.

The ACJ called upon Americans of all faiths "to reject the Zionist-fostered concept that the state of Israel is in any sense a fulfillment of Biblical prophecy or the real or fancied 'homeland of American Jews.'"

The Council, on the other hand, termed Arab refusal to recognize Israel "an obstacle to peace in the Middle East."

'Heavy Weather' For Israel: Ave

ISRAEL and the world face "heavy weather" unless Arab leaders are convinced that their nationalism "has destructive purposes at its core," declared New York Governor Averell Harriman this week.

Harriman

Speaking at a United Jewish Appeal anniversary dinner, he called for a reaffirmation of the 1950 American-British-French pledge "to protect the existing frontiers and armistice lines" between Israel and the Arab states.

The governor declared that the current movement toward Arab unity might actually "be evidence of most serious Arab disunity."

"There is no Arab disunity with regard to Israel," he added. "When Nasser raves about the 'common enemy,' he means Israel, and the countries that support her," he said.

Separate Church, State: Reform

United States Reform temples were urged this week by I. Cyrus Gordon, chairman of the commission on social action of the Union of American Hebrew congregations, to intensify their efforts to keep church and state separate.

Gordon also urged them to promote racial justice in the North as well as the South. The lay leader pointed to "the shocking chain of bombings in the South against synagogues and Jewish centers" in referring to this country's continued racial problems.

"The racists and terrorists, despite their defective and twisted mentality, have sensed intuitively an important truth: That the institutions of religion, the church and the synagogue, stand as the ultimate guarantors of the vindication of the ideals of brotherhood and equality," he added.

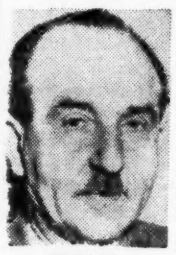
Pool Debate Put Off

Israel's Knesset postponed debate on the construction of a swimming pool in Jerusalem where mixed swimming will be permitted. . . . Germany will pay out $100 million in restitution compensation to Jews this year. . . . West German justice minister Dr. Fritz Schaeffer expressed his regret that his recent criticism of restitution to victims of Nazism had caused "ill feeling." . . . General Zionists are considering merger with the Herut movement at a meeting of the General Zionists' world union in Tel Aviv. . . . The World Jewish Congress has initiated a study of the role of the sciences in Jewish education. Mayor Robert F. Wagner this week urged young Americans to exchange letters with children in Israel and in other countries as a "contribution to world peace."

Jewish Agency Budget Down

THE JEWISH AGENCY this week submitted a budget of $11.6 million less than last year's. Its treasurer, Dov Joseph, in presenting the $116.4 million budget, warned that continued deficit financing was hampering the agency's functioning. . . . House-shaped ossuaries some 60 centuries old have been found in a tomb outside Tel Aviv. . . . The world assembly of engineers and architects, friends of Israel, is scheduled for May 29-June 9. . . . Welfare funds in Atlanta, Dallas, and Denver have joined the Large City Budgeting Conference, bringing membership in the conference to 22. . . . Congressman James Roosevelt (California) has become chairman of the American medical center in Denver. Robert B. Anderson, secretary of treasury; Ezra Taft Benson, secretary of agriculture, and Maxwell M. Rabb, secretary to the cabinet, have become sponsors of the center.

SOME 150,000 Jewish military personnel and hospitalized veterans will observe Passover as part of the National Jewish Welfare Board's global "Operation Passover." . . . Five and a half million dollars has been invested in Eilat by Histadrut. . . . Ghana - Israel friendship was hailed by Israel's finance minister Levi Eshkol at a Histadrut celebration in Tel Aviv in honor of the first anniversary of Ghana's independence. . . .



Eshkol

Histadrut's publishing house, "Am Oved," plans to publish Hebrew paperback novels. . . . Some 325 libraries with a total of 31,600 volumes have been set up for Israeli immigrant settlements in a four-year-old program jointly sponsored by the Israeli ministry of education and the Histadrut cultural department. . . . The first group of 84 American Jews who joined the Histadrut-sponsored 10th anniversary tours to Israel sailed March 20 from New York aboard the SS. Theodor Herzl.

RECEIVES AMBASADORS

JERUSALEM — David Ben-Gurion, Israel's prime minister and acting foreign minister, last week received Emile Bisang, new Swiss ambassador, and Compte Giovanni Revedin Marquese di San Martino, new Italian ambassador.

Miami Rallies to Aid Bombed Shul

Florida Governor Balks at Request for Special Probe

By REVY BALKIN

MIAMI, Fla. (NJP)—Sympathetic Miamians this week rallied to the aid of a synagogue—the bombing of which remained unsolved, despite all out efforts of local police officials.

Revy

Haskell Lazere, Southeastern director of the American Jewish Congress, told The POST and OPINION that Gov. Leroy Collins turned down a Congress request to send a special man to investigate the bombing of Beth El Synagogue.

The FBI also has turned aside requests by local police to enter the case "unless there are proved violations of interstate laws."

WITH LAW enforcement agencies, stymied, Miamians are acting independently and setting up rewards for information leading to the arrest of the bombers.

These are the latest developments:

- Radio station WQAM has offered a $1,000 award.
- Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1608 is also offering a cash award.
- The national Jewish War Veterans have offered a $7,506 reward. Benjamin H. Chasin, national commander, made the offer at a meeting here Sunday before 500 members of the Florida division of the JWV.

Help continues to come from all sources.

√ The Miami Herald (daily newspaper) offered to make a plea for funds from its readers for a new religious school.

√ Surrounding churches offered the use of their classrooms for Beth-El students.

√ Radio disc jockeys are urging their listeners to send in financial contributions.

√ Catholic priests, as well as the president of the Greater Miami Council of Churches, denounced the dynamiting.

"THIS VIOLENCE, and the apparent prejudice lying behind it, gives a bad name to our city and area, and damages the influence of American democrary abroad," said the Rev. Harold Buell.

Sydney Palmer, president of the synagogue, told The POST that "we are overwhelmed with the sympathetic offers coming from people of every religious and race. We were particularly moved the other night when a quadruple amputee called and said: 'The loss of my limbs is a mockery when an incident like this happens. I'm ashamed of my fellowmen. What can I do to help?'"

Palmer indicated to The POST and OPINION that in his opinion "followers of John Kasper are trying to bring the hatred of Clinton and Little Rock, Ark., to the Greater Miami area."

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WHAT FOODS THESE MORSELS BE

SEDARIM FALLING ON SHABBAS POSE EXTRA PROBLEM TO BALABOSTA

By SARAH LIEBER

With the sedarim this year on Shabbas there are a number of problems for the busy balabosta. We are lucky, indeed, that so many food producers have given us convenience foods to help us.

Sarah

There are jarred and canned foods which need no preparation in advance. It will take some planning, I know, to set your table with all the maicholim you want to serve on the second seder night. It will be a good idea to do as much perparation early Friday for both meals as you can. I am printing below a few menu suggestions.

For the gifts you will want to present your hostess when you are invited during the week, why not include some of the lovely Israeli imports? There are beautiful new ceramic and metal home gifts. And for something novel, how about the new and delicious foods kosher l'Pesah we spoke about a week or so ago. There are jumbo olives. And there is orange marmalade, made with only the oranges and sugar, and most delightful in texture. It may be used as is, or in numerous desserts. And for something distinctly different, the tinned melon, peeled, sliced and canned in syrup. I have never seen this item in any comparable form. And, of course, a bottle of Israeli kosher wine is always welcome.

I have a request from Mrs. Mollie Levy of Baltimore for Passover chiffon cake and for Passover chocolate drop cookies. I am sorry that my extensive research has not turned up any chiffon cakes for yomtov. But the cookie recipe below is a fine one, and easy to make, too.

PASSOVER COOKIES

4 eggs
¼ cup shortening
1 cup sugar
1 cup Passover cake meal
1½ cups finely ground nut meats
½ tsp. salt
4 oz. bittersweet chocolate, melted and cooled

BEAT THE eggs until light and fluffy. Stir in the remaining ingredients, blending thoroughly. Drop by teaspoonfuls on a well-greased cookie sheet, 2 inches apart to allow for spreading. Bake 10 minutes at 375 degrees or until browned.

SEDER MENUS

I

celery and olives
gefilte fish
horseradish in beet cups
clear chicken broth with knaidlach
roast turkey with matzo stuffing
carrot tzimmis
mixed greens salad
sponge cake with orange sauce
matzos
wine
demi tasse or tea

II

chopped chicken liver in tomato cups
carrot sticks
celery
clear beef broth with matzo farfel
rib roast of beef
potato kugelach
aspargus
fruit salad
macaroons
matzos
wine
demi tasse or tea

III

chopped liver in celery sticks
tiny gefilte fish balls served on toothpicks
chicken soup with knaidlach
roast chicken with potato stuffing
broccoli
shredded carrot salad
nut sponge cake
matzos
wine
demi tasse or tea

IV

grapefruit halves
chicken broth with liver knaidlach
oven broiled chicken from soup
stewed tomatoes and celery
sweet-sour beets on lettuce
matzo kugel
sherbet and cookies
matzos
wine
demi tasse or tea

LIVER KNAIDLACH

1 cup cooked liver
1 medium sized onion
1½ cups boiling water
1½ cups matzo meal
3 eggs, beaten
¼ tsp. shortening or schmaltz
1 tsp. salt
pepper to taste

GRIND OR chop the liver and onion very fine. Pour the boiling water over the matzo meal and let stand until completely absorbed. Cool. Mix with the liver and onion mixture. Beat until very light and fluffy. Add beaten eggs, seasoning and fat. Blend well. Chill for one hour. Wet the hands and roll the mixture into small knaidlach (balls). Drop very carefully into three quarts of boiling, salted water. Cover and cook over low heat for about 25 minutes.

MATZO STUFFING

4 matzos, broken
cold water to cover
3 eggs, beaten
1 tsp. salt
pepper to taste
3 tblsps. schmaltz
1 onion, finely diced or minced
½ cup finely diced celery
1 green pepper, diced (optional)

BREAK THE matzos into a deep bowl and cover with cold water. Let stand five minutes, then squeeze out the excess liquid. Beat the eggs and salt into the matzos. Add onion which has been lightly browned in the schmaltz. Add celery and green pepper. Blend well. Fill prepared chicken or turkey, but do not pack the cavity. If desired, nuts, raisins or prunes may be added. Sugar and cinnamon may be added with the fruits, if desired.

CAKE AND PUDDING SAUCES

Almond Apricot Sauce

2 cups dried apricots
2 cups water
½ cups sugar
1 tsp. lemon juice
½ cup slivered blanched almonds

SIMMER THE apricots in the water until tender, about 20 minutes. Add sugar, lemon juice and nuts, and blend. Serve hot or cold over sponge cake or kugel.

Banana Sauce

2 egg whites
1 cup sugar
dash of salt
2 cups mashed ripe bananas (about 4 medium bananas)

HAVE THE egg whites at room temperature. Beat until frothy, then gradually add the sugar and salt and beat until stiff peaks are formed. Fold into the mashed bananas. Serve over sponge cake, garnished with banana slices.

FRESH RHUBARB AND STRAWBERRY SAUCE

3 cups diced, fresh rhubarb
2 tblsps. water
dash of salt
¾ cup sugar
1 tblsp. fresh lemon juice
1 cup sliced fresh strawberries

COOK THE first three ingredients together until tender, about 10 minutes in a covered saucepan over low heat. Add sugar. Cool. Stir in juice and strawberries. Serve over cake or puddings or as is for dessert.

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Books and Religious Articles

Lawyer Levy Tells Of His 'Double Life'

By ABRAHAM BURSTEIN

MY DOUBLE LIFE, by Newman Levy, $4.50 (Doubleday).

Son of the great criminal lawyer, Abe Levy, this septuagenarian was not only destined for the law, but became a worthy successor to his father. As a writer, particularly of light verse — some of which is is quoted herein— he is unsurpassed.

Burstein

His double life thus brought into his life story so many great names in so many fields that his biography was preordained to gratify even the most casual reader. There are FPA, the Marxes, Goldwyn, Selznick, a host of jurists, journalists, and theatrical folk, a thousand anecdotes, innumerable reflections on the times in New York and Hollywood. Levy records occasional encounters with anti-Semitism, and his service with the American Jewish Committee.

Only one—late—chapter is unpleasing—an evasive, legalistic defense of two top communists he defended; there is nothing to indicate that they did not plan and do what all the world's reds are planning and doing. But, as remarked in an early page, criminal lawyers are in the course of their labors impelled to "thwart justice."

THE LEVELLING WIND, by M. Banaya, $3.75 (Pantheon Books).

American-born Margaret Benaya, married to an Israeli officer tells the first person story of Captain-Major Dan, his lecherous colonel Uri, Uri's plain skinny wife with whom he and an unfortunate Uriah (as in the David story) fell in love, and sundry other soldiers engaged in fighting the marauding Arabs.

The characters experience every emotion except those engendered by religion, which enters the story only in regular violations of the Sabbath. The camaraderie,, easy morals, and conniving involved might apply, let us say, to the army of France in Algiers. Nevertheless, there are authentic elements of army mores in the beleaguered state, and many superior fictional and psychologic touches.

A COMPANION TO THE BIBLE, edited by J. J. Von Allmen, $6.00 (Oxford University Press).

The special value of this well translated Protestant compendium is its limitation to major topics rather than multiple minor articles. Thus, the prophets are discussed under the one rubric, Prophecy.

The authors all display both learning and Crristian piety This still leaves much objective material that may be employed eclectically by Jews and Catholics, but always within the area indicated by such phrases: "The missionary and eschatological character of Israel is indeed one of the peaks of O. T. theological insight and finds its fulfilment in Christian thought."

PROPHETIC PREACHING: A NEW APPROACH, by Otto J. Babb, $2.50 (Abingdon).

In his customary capable and erudite manner, Dr. Baab relates the ideas of the prophets to contemporary situations. However, he considers the propagation of his own theological notions a requisite of all preaching, even from OT books. To all this he adds this trenchant phrase: "In spite of differences in language, culture, and audience, he prophets of Israel can help the modern preacher in the important matter of the art of communication."

That the prophetic style, vigorous, succinct, concrete, emotional, and exalted, will improve any sermon ha long been known—and has long been ignored by preachers of all faiths

JOSEPH AND HIS BRETHREN; DAVID, by Maud and Miska Petersham, $2.50 each (Macmillan).

This pair has extraordinary skill in retelling Bible stories and in limning the persons and incidents in black and in color. The narratives omit the rawer incidents, and are not employed to further some later theology.

Except for the error of displaying Jews with uncovered heads in antique times, the books serve excellently and authentically to ecquaint the young with the remarkable stories and storytelling of the Old Testament. They should prove popular among children and preceptors both.

ARABS NOTE OWN WORK

TEL AVIV—Arab Israel 10th anniversary celebrations will concentrate mainly on achievements in Arab populated areas, Teddy Kollek, co-chairman of the 10th Anniversary World committee, said here last month.

GLUECK FINDS BIBLE SITES

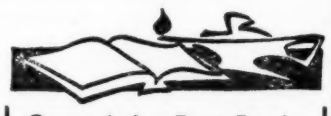
BEERSHEBA, Israel (NJP)—A settlement dating from the time of the ancient Israel kings and a Negev town 6 000 years old were discovered last week near here by Dr. Nelson Glueck, archaeologist and president of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion.

Dr. Glueck is expected to return to the United States in a couple of weeks, whereupon he will begin work on a book describing the newly discovered ancient Jewish settlements in the Negev.

England Retains, But Ignores, 'Blue Laws'

LONDON (NJP)—An attempt to ease Britain's ancient Sabbath laws failed last week as too many members of Parliament left for the week end to allow a quorum to vote on the issue, the New York Times reported this week.

Some of the laws date as far back as 1448. Sunday sports were banned in 1627, and Sunday work was proscribed in 1677.



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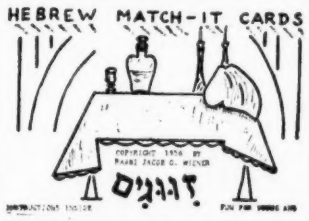

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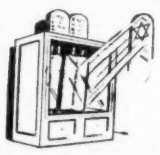

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Attractive New Stamp to Honor Israel's 10th

The 10th anniversary of the founding of the state of Israel and the issuance of Israel's first postage stamps will be celebrated by the issuance of an especially attractive stamp in April (see cut, lower right).

PRINTED BY photolitho offset in multi-color and gold, the new stamp will also have the distinction of being in an entirely new size, 31.43x57.14 mm.

The stamp, which will have a face value of 400 pruta, was designed by Otto Wallish of Tel Aviv.

One of the most important events of 1958 will be the anniversary exhibition to be held in Jerusalem starting June 6, declared Jacques Minkus, head of the Israel Philatelic Agency in America, Inc. The agency, located at 115 W. 30th St., New York 1, N. Y., is the official representative in North America for the Israeli ministry of posts.

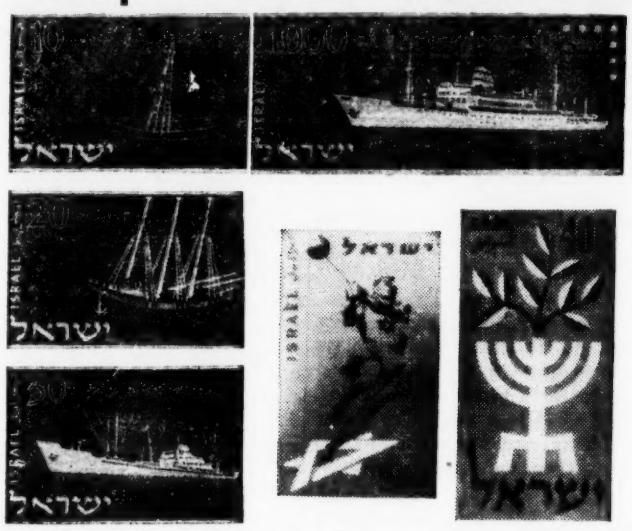
THE ISRAEL post office is participating in the anniversary exhibition through a special stamp which is expected to be issued in June.

The first issue released during 1958 was the Maccabiah stamp with a face value of 500 pruta (see cut, lower middle). The stamp was originally scheduled to be issued during the fifth Maccabia Games held in Tel Aviv last September. In order not to conflict with Tabil, the international stamp exhibition held at the same time, it was decided to issue the stamp instead on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the introduction of the Maccabia Games.

Designed by Abram Games of London and printed by Israeli government printers in bi-color rotogravure, the stamp was released on Jan. 20.

The long-awaited merchant marine series, which was delayed because of technical difficulties, was issued on Jan. 27 (see cut, top and left). Consisting of four values (10, 20, 30 and 1,000 pruta), the issue is printed by offset (10 pruta) and photogravure (20, 30, and 1,000 pruta).

THE THREE low values are printed in sheets of 20 stamps with five adjacent tabs, while the 1,000 pruta is printed in sheets of 12 stamps with three adjacent tabs. Miriam Karoly of Haifa was the designer.



Here are some of Israel's new stamps. Top and left, is Israel's new merchant marine series. Bottom, middle, is the Maccabia stamp. Bottom, right, is the 10th anniversary stamp to be issued in April.

Israel Creations Items Available at Macy's

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HOTELS IN Miami, congregations in Chicago, stores in Seattle placed their orders for Aviv matzos after sampling and comparing other brands. Their professional judgment told them that quality and taste were the deciding factors.

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Editor, Jewish POST and OPINION:

IT WOULD be very revealing to have Rabbi Weisberger's "dream" (NJP, March 21) analyzed by a competent analyst. Perhaps it would disclose the insecurity and the doubts of his religious practices. Perhaps a feeling of despair and of being inundated by the rising tide of Liberal Judaism weighs heavily on his mind so as to bring subconscious manifestations to him during his sleeptime.

Like a troubled soul plagued by non-existent demons, Rabbi Weisberger is constantly haunted by Liberal Judaism. Like the political propagandist, he takes the extremes of his opposition and presents it as the commonplace. He distorts, he propagandizes, he incites and he displays the bigotry prevailing in Orthodoxy.

It would be well for this rabbi to scrutinize his own segment of Judaism and no doubt he would find that many points of his "dream" (or nightmare) on which he elaborates would apply to his Judaism as well.

Briefly, I would like to comment on the various points of the "dream" experienced by this rabbi.

1. Are the Orthodox shuls filled to capacity every Sabbath? What wishful thinking! How many so called Orthodox Jews engage in business or work on the Sabbath? How many Orthodox are "gefilte fish" Jews who do not attend services from one Yahrzeit to another?
2. I invite the learned rabbi to visit our Reform temples and homes to witness how Hanuka, Purim and the festivals are observed.
3. Musical instruments were utilized in the temple of old. Should their use be discarded because others have accepted them as part of their religious services?
4. Here I agree with Rabbi Weisberger. Every synagogue should have mixed seating. Family worship strengthens Judaism and the home. The pretty girls should come in their best, as should the men and boys. Everyone should be attired in their finest to stress the importance of appearing before God with dignity.
5. The High Holy Days and Yahrzeit attendance is a festering wound to all wings of Judaism. You have to prove to me that Orthodox shuls have the same attendance all year as for the High Holy Days.
6. If my memory serves me, Moses married outside of Judaism. In our own time a noted Orthodox author married outside of his faith. Given a chance, outside of a ghetto existence, love seems to know no bounds for Orthodox as well as others.
7. "Cardiac" Judaism is found in all Jewry. This seems to be a characteristic of our age which frowns on active religious participation, right and left wings alike.

RABBI WEISBERGER would like to have all conform to his beliefs. If distortions and irresponsible attacks on others promote his aims, he feels justified to use such tactics.

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Consider how stupid and senseless anti-Semites really are if they feel that this way Jews will be intimidated.

THE GREAT CHALLENGE

SOME HONEST WORDS expressed recently by two American Jewish leaders at the World Zionist actions committee meeting begin to show that American Zionism and American leadership are growing up.

First, Rabbi Irving Miller, who has never been known to mince his words, told the Zionist leaders from all parts of the world, that ". . . the Zionist movement was not prepared for the task of revolutionizing Jewish life."

The World-Wide News Service which brought us this report of the actions committee meeting fails to elaborate on Rabbi Miller's words, but it is a mark of wisdom and also maturity when a person or a movement knows its weaknesses along with its areas of strength.

At various times in the current history of American Zionism, a program will be officially launched for establishing day schools throughout the American Jewish community. At other times, this same desire to effect something worthwhile in American Jewish life will be expressed by plans for a movement to build Hebrew schools throughout the Jewish community.

THESE PROJECTS all die aborning, because the Zionists of America are not set up to do this kind of work, much as they might want to achieve it or much as it might be necessary. This has nothing to do with the fact that there are already effective agencies in these fields.

Dr. Israel Goldstein, in the same news account, is reported as underlining the importance of immigration as a living link between the Jews inside and outside of Israel.

Obviously he is referring to the failure of American Zionism to produce any immigration of American Jewry to Israel.

BUT THIS IS an area where American Zionism not only is the sole agency that should operate, but where no one else is doing anything.

The decision that faced Jewish education some 25 years ago was: Do we want to give American Jewish youth a Hebrew education and is it at all necessary?

That was a great debate of the 1920s and 30s.

The great debate of the 1950s is whether we should seek to stimulate immigration of American Jews to Israel. It is easy for a Zionist speaker to get up on the platform and deliver a stirring oration in behalf of the spread of Hebrew today.

We are all in favor of virtue.

BUT WHERE IS the speaker who questions our refusal to even do education work in the field of urging Americans to accept one of the great democratic challenges of our day—Israel and the building of a true democratic outpost in the Middle East?

The talks of Rabbi Miller and Goldstein indicate that such leadership may be abuilding.

PREP SCHOOLS NOT CONCERN

WE CAN ASSUME that prep schools, which are private high schools, would be among the last stronghold of those who believe that congregating with Jews is somehow degrading, providing there is more than a few of them at any one time.

The surpising aspect, therefore, to the figures released by the B'nai B'rith vocational service (NJP, March 14), showing that out of 750 such schools, about one-third welcomes Jews is not that 500 show they can get along without Jews. The surprise is the fact that such a large number do express a willingness to accept Jews and do not care who knows it.

OF THE OTHER 500, some have defended themselves by saying they have no provisions barring Jews, but since they are turning down candidates of all kinds, they therefore do not want to encourage additional applicants. But it all amounts to the same thing—in one way or another the 500 either want to limit the number of Jews or bar them altogether.

If you look long enough you will always find someone who doesn't like or want you. Fortunately the public high schools of the United States are equal if not superior to prep schools in all phases of the education process.

The concern is not with the prep schools, but with our institutions of higher learning. That in some of these schools—notably one large midwestern member of the Big Ten—the number of Jews is circumscribed, that is the real problem. Our professors and administrators in these institutions are supposed to be the elite of our democracy. They know the evils of hatred and discrimination. When these succumb to bias against the Jew, then no Jew can be unconcerned.

The EDITOR'S CHAIR . . .

CHARLES ROTH, our executive vice-president, made a talk as part of a symposium on the Jewish press before the Theodor Herzl Institute in New York on "How Effective is The Jewish Press?" On the panel with him were Dr. Samuel Margoshes and Harry Weingast, of the Jewish Day-Morning Journal and the Jewish News of Newark, respectively.

We do not know what our friend Dr. Margoshes had to say, nor what Harry Weingast put forward, but Charlie sent me a copy of his talk. In it he referred to the unwillingness of the Jewish community to be factually mirrored. Accurate news reporting in the Jewish field is bitterly resisted, he pointed out, and when a paper like The POST and OPINION did delve beneath the surface and give the facts, sometimes unsavory, of happenings in Jewish life, it is usually accused of being sensational. He also told about the pressures put on Jewish papers to attempt to prevent legitimate news from being published.

IT SO HAPPENS by coincidence, that we, too, spoke on the Anglo-Jewish press just a week ago. It was as part of the forum of United Hebrew Temple in Terre Haute, of which our good friend, Rabbi David Raab, is spiritual leader.

We took another approach. We belabored the point that the Anglo-Jewish press was vital to the American Jewish community, because without it there is no chance to develop a democratic Jewish life in America.

This is no new theme with us. If in any community there the means of communication is lacking, then democracy cannot function.

In the general community, there not only is the press, but in addition, radio and TV, the speaking platform, and, of course, all the forms for democracy — two political parties, elections, a system of checks and balances, a constitution, etc.

BUT IN THE Jewish community, you have none of these. Only the Anglo-Jewish press could serve as a force for democracy, but it is far from truly effective except in a few rare instances. Not only is there not a country-wide Jewish radio and TV, but what there is steers clear of vital issues, and, of course, there is no such thing in American Jewish life as an election, almost without exception.

That there are no forms for democracy in the Jewish community doesn't even warrant discussing, because there aren't any. Suppose a community or a group of Jews in the United States wanted to register a protest against anything. They couldn't do it effectively. Our elections are precisely like those held in Russia. We are presented a slate to approve.

But our discussion was not wholly pessimistic. We pointed out that the Anglo-Jewish press (and the Jewish community as a whole) was making rapid advances because whereas 20 years ago, there were few Jews really interested in Jewish life, today that number had increased by leaps and bounds. No paper could succeed in a day when Jews didn't care whether there was or wasn't a synagogue, whether Jewish education facilities were available or not, when Jewish homes were bare of anything Jewish.

Why, in those days would anyone want to read a Jewish paper? The answer was, he didn't, and publishers of Jewish papers whose history goes back to the 1930s know that this was an accurate picture of the situation.

Today the picture is far happier because the Jewish community has matured rapidly. When there is a vital Jewish press, then there will be a chance for democracy in Jewish life.

TZAV: Ritual Hides Life's Savageries

(Editor's Note: Rabbi Weinstein has been ill, and unable to write his column for this week. Consequently, we are reprinting his column on Tzav written last year. Rabbi Weinstein's friends will be glad to know he has recovered from a siege of pneumonia, and is back at his desk this week.)

By RABBI JACOB J. WEINSTEIN
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The husky Negro who stunned the cattle as they started on the assembly line of the great Chicago slaughtering house was not in the least dressed like Aaron or his sons. He wore no mitre, no breastplate; he was not girded with a fine woven linen girdle. Nor did he anoint the tip of his ear with a drop of blood and a drop of oil. His denim shirt was open at the collar. His sleeves were rolled below the elbow. A pair of heavy rubber boots were the most conspicuous part of his uniform. Still, watching him made me appreciate the function of the elaborate ritual that accompanied the slaughter of animals in ancient Israel.

Rabbi Weinstein

IT GAVE man a respect for anything with the blood of life in it. It made him realize that the taking of life—even for survival—was no routine matter. To punctuate the life rhythm of other creatures was a privilege for which one must pay obeisance to the source of all life. I daresay we could understand this better if we were each involved in the slaughter of the animals which provide our food. Most of us can grow to ripe years without seeing a calf slaughtered. We can delegate to others this dirty work and speak of steaks and chops as though they were cut from blotting paper. The point is that if we had to do our own slaughtering, we, too, would surround the act with ceremonies to hide its ineluctable savagery.

The ancient Hebrews developed the act of slaughter into a refined ritual. The proper selection of the cattle, their careful preparation, the washing and disposal of the fat and the suet, the allocation of the breast and the thigh, the burning of the offal, filled a manual which was carefully studied and mastered by the priestly class. Sacrifices were meticulously graded into peace offerings, thanksgiving offering and free will offerings. The rabbis declared the thank offering a supreme type of sacrifice and opined that in the Messianic era all sacrifices shall have completed their mission save the one intended to inculcate gratitude. That sacrifice was to continue forever. The Pharisees who were so critical of much of the temple worship were not opposed to sacrifices offered in sincerity.

THEY ACTUALLY organized Palestine Jewry into 24 watches, so that every adult could participate in one of the daily sacrifices. But while part of the watch was engaged in the offering, another part would gather in the synagogue to read the Torah portion relating to the sacrifice. The cultural lag creates a cultural over-fold in which the new grows through the old.

The Pharisees were conservers of the tradition. They would find seed corn even in the shambles of the sacrificial system. The prophets were not so patient. It was not their nature nor their role to be patient. They saw the danger of pagan barbarism in the sacrificial system. They saw in it the stifling of the free spirit of faith. They lashed out against the whole system of lambs and bullocks, of the rivers of oil and the offerings of blood. Like Jeremiah, in the Haftarah to Tzav, they came to the very heart's core of true religion:

"Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom
Neither let the mighty man glory in his might.
Let not the rich man glory in his riches
But let him that glorieth glory in this
That he understands and knows Me
That I am the Lord who exercises mercy,
Justice and righteousness in the earth;
For in these things I delight, saith the Lord."

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Ex-Chaplain Says There IS Bias In US Army

• Editor, Jewish POST and OPINION:

MANY TIMES I have been tempted to take up pencil and paper to express my feelings over certain issues which were discussed in your excellent newspaper. These feelings have, until now, remained in me. Today I can contain myself no longer. I must voice my objection to a mis-statement of fact.

In your edition of Feb. 21, you quote Rabbi Perry E. Nussbaum who wrote to you in objection to some remarks which were allegedly made by Rabbi Shlomo Goren, chief chaplain of the Israeli army, upon his return to Jerusalem after having visited various military installations in this country.

Rabbi Nussbaum replies to Rabbi Goren's criticism of the lack of a Jewish chaplain assigned to the Pentagon in Washington by stating that there is a Jewish chaplain assigned somewhere in Washington. By offering this answer the good rabbi, in my opinion, proves himself completely unaware of the "Army way." The fact that there is a Jewish chaplain assigned to some minor unit in the Washington, D. C., area (Walter Reed Hospital, I believe) has no more bearing on the lack of a Jewish chaplain in the Pentagon than the fact that there is a chaplain assigned in Japan or in Alaska.

WHAT RABBI GOREN decries, I believe, is the lack of someone permanently assigned who would be readily available to be consulted on matters concerning Jewish personnel and the Jewish community. If Rabbi Nussbaum's experience with the active army were more current he would know that a chaplain not directly assigned to the office of the chief of chaplains, department of the army, is totally out of the picture. I know that a number of Jewish chaplains now on active duty with the army are in agreement with Rabbi Goren's criticism.

Rabbi Nussbaum states, in his letter, that he is, "The only rabbi active in the army Reserve program in the southeastern states comprising the Third army." I have been with the Congregation Sherith Israel here in Nashville, Tenn., since September, 1957. I have been assigned to the 980th Signal Battalion, a Reserve unit, since October, 1957. (I was recently separated from the active army after six years of duty.) We here in Tennessee are also in the Third Army area, and I would therefore advise Rabbi Nussbaum to make sure of his facts before making exclusive statements.

Many pages could be written on the accomplishments and failings of the army in its treatment of minority groups within its organization. This is neither the time nor the place for these pages. In the case of the Jewish group, it is my opinion that the largest cause for most of these deficiencies lies in the fact that there has been in the past very little demand on the part of Jewish personnel for genuine religious facilities. Whatever demand was made was not followed up with enough insistence. Today, therefore, the military is hard put to understand why this generation of Jewish soldiers should get better treatment than the last. Rabbi Goren's criticisms have some validity. He lacks an insight into the total scene.

Progress is being made in getting the military to fully understand all of the needs of Jewish personnel in a peacetime army, nay even in a wartime army. It is a long and uphill battle.

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It's Up to Kaufmann To Help!

• Editor, Jewish POST and OPINION:

THIS LETTER is regarding Mike Shulman's article on Myron Kaufmann.

Kaufmann feels it is permissible to portray Jews in an unfavorable light in novels because readers do not regard the character's failings as being peculiar to his nationality. Rather, he says, the average reader evaluates the situation and comprehends the individual as just another human being.

I tend to disagree! Who, besides perhaps the college professor, takes the time to examine and evaluate the character fully. From fiction the average reader retains only a superficial knowledge of the character. And in turn this superficial knowledge forms an impression which the reader slants to fit into his personal prejudices. Consequently, if minute flurries of anti-Semitism prevail in a reader (and it does in almost all), then a negative quality in a Jewish characterization would add only to the black marks against him (the Jewish character).

At this time we are in dire need of favorable propaganda, Mr. Kaufmann. If you, as representative of other Jewish authors, don't undertake the project, who will? Here and now it is not only important, but it is imperative that you accentuate the more favorable aspects of the Jew and put less emphasis on the unfavorable.

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Israel Eyes Arab Action on Gaza Strip

JERUSALEM (NJP)—Israelis are watching closely the United Arab Republic's decision on self-rule for the Gaza Strip.

Although Egypt has denied that Gaza would be made an autonomous member of the United Arab Republic, Israeli officials still consider this a possibility.

Meanwhile, Gaza Strip Palestinians were given greater autonomy over their own affairs by a new law giving them a majority in their 331-man legislative council. But the Egyptian governor general will have veto power over all legislation.

Conservative Challenge:

An Orthodox Rabbi Replies

• Editor, Jewish POST and OPINION:

IN REPLY to Rabbi Blumenthal's challenge (NJP, March 14), may I express my personal opinion as an Orthodox Jew representing no group, not even Orthodoxy.

I must agree with Rabbi Hayim Donin that the Conservative rabbinate is absolutely lacking in Tora scholarship (NJP, Feb. 14) and so completely distant from its conceptions, values and philosophy that their dicta and standard jibes about women, and divine revelation border on the ridiculous.

YES, I believe that divine revelation means that every word, letter and kutza shel yud represents G-d's will and was spoken on Mt. Sinai. For without this sine qua non there is no logical reason for any observance. The uniqueness of the Judaic faith is its basis of that historic experience whose ramifications have determined the character of our people and its destiny.

With the Tora Shebiktav, God gave Moses the oral law which consisted of two parts: a) logical rules of analysis which were the methodology for interpreting the written law, and b) the entire explanation of the Tora that we know as the Talmud.

IN THE process of history the Masora, tradition, was handed down by Moses to his successors and they to theirs. However, only the methodology of interpretation remained intact until the renaissance of learning after the recrudescence of Tora study came to its final consummation with the development of the Mishna and Talmud, which were the embodiment of that same oral law en toto that G-d had spoken to Moses and that had been lost in the earlier periods of Jewish national evolution.

The oral law is as divine as the written because it was developed according to scientifically logical rules of Tora analysis by true Tora scholars who kept those rules alive through the ages and finally brought them to fruition.

The oral law by definition means only the law—the legal aspects, including all opinions, differences, variations — that aimed at the same goal of obedience to G-d's wish. However, because the Talmud and halaha constitute a psychic complex of ideas and values for the total human personality, the hazal who expounded G-d's law also attempted to give a bit of the philosophy and religious feeling upon which the law is based. This, called agada, was not spoken by G-d to Moses.

"HALAHA GIVES us the norms for action, agada the vision of the ends of living. Halaha decrees, agada inspires, halaha is definite, agada is allusive, halaha treats with laws in abstract, regardless of the totality of the person, agada reminds us that the purpose of performance is to transform the performer, that the purpose of performance and observance is to train us in achieving spiritual ends." (From "G-d in Search of Man," Heschel, p. 337).

However, since agada is not divine, we may or may not believe in its literally or may deny that which does not suit our understanding (as per the commentary of R. Shmuel Hanagid in introduction to Talmud, printed in Tractate Berahot).

To me the Talmud and its child, the Shulhan Aruh, are the definitive source for G-d's will, and in its manifold volumes and pages present in Conservative libraries but whose meaning is obscured from the Conservative eye, lies all sources for the "Jewish view" on the status of women, democracy, humane slaughter and scholarship.

I WILL offer a free translation from the book "Yesodot Hatefila" by a scholar who equals Israel Abrahams, but who unfortunately writes in Hebrew incomprehensible to Conservative "scholars," Eliezer Halevi. His ideas are fully annotated and numbered to show their direct Talmudic source; their great number does not permit me to cite them; however I quote from p. 118 of the book published in Israel in 1952 by Bittan Hasefer:

"Women participated in bringing sacrifices and in their concomitant prayers . . . In the temple there was an ezrat nashim, a woman's quarter, and at the northern end of the ezrat Yisrael, a special women's entrance where they entered for the rituals of sacrifice. However women were only seen in the Temple yard during the bringing of their sacrifices. Women were allowed only in their sector of temple grounds, ezrat nashim, and even for the holidays were not allowed to mingle with the men, but a special platform was erected for them from which they could watch the proceedings.

"Women are not required to do all of the mitzvot but may do them all. Women are required to pray daily as men are (p. 120). Women are required to hear the reading of the Tora and may be called to the Tora. This is not done because of kavod hatzibur. (The concept of kavod hatzibur is taken to mean anything that will distract the assembly from its holy task; it rests on the basis of kavana—inner intention which because the human psyche is so frail, may easily be swerved from the sanctity of the service of G-d. However, to choose rabbis to whom prayer and Tora reading are not expressions of devotion to G-d, inner intent and sanctity are valueless.)

"Women must say grace after meals and must observe the commandments dealing with sexual sanctity, baking hala and lighting the candles. Women must participate in funerals. Women must come to the synagogues but at any occasion where service to G-d is performed, in study-derasha, or hupa, when blessings to G-d's name are uttered. Women are enjoined by Jewish law to study Jewish law."

IT IS APPARENT from the above that women are of equal status in the eyes of halaha with men. The notion of their inferiority is a Conservative fabrication due to ignorance and not an overt desire to destroy Jewish practice, Judaism and by implication, the Jewish people.

The halaha, in recognizing the full equality of women and men, knew also of the weakness of mankind, especially in overcoming the difficulties in that awesome G-d relationship that we enter during prayer. The presence of the opposite sex, to either a man or a woman, is a deterrent to complete involvement with the Most High. It is only to so-called modern man who has thrown away the capacity for entering into a relationship with G-d that deterrents do not exist; he could just as well pray in the nude or read the Tora from disconnected fragments, for in both these instances kavod hatzibur is involved; where G-d does not exist, his worship does not exist, even from RA prayerbooks.

RABBI BLUMENTAHAL, although I, too, am as ignorant as Rabbi Hayim Donin and proud to be in his company, I charge that Conservatism panders to ignorance and to slothfulness, to poor scholarship and to deliberate perversion of facts; even Abrahams says, "Yet it is not impossible"—does that mean it was so?

I challenge you to show how many Conservative rabbis and Reform can go back to original Judaic sources without corrupting and twisting. I challenge you to justify the inconsistencies between the RA High Holy Day prayerbook and the RA Sabbath prayerbook with regard to the blessing of "Shelo Asani Goy," ["Who hast not made me a non-Jew"], "Isha" ["A Woman"] and "Eved" ["A Slave"].

And finally, Rabbi Blumenthal, tell your colleagues that we Orthodox rabbis are cognizant of the need for some changes in practice; however, we are hesitant to tamper with the word of G-d. We are too cognizant that the manner and methods by which a mere human enters into conversation and relation with The Lord our G-d. cannot be treated cavalierly and callously.

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The Golden Calf And Leadership

• Editor, Jewish POST and OPINION:

I WOULD like to add a word or two on your timely subject "The Golden Calf."

George M. Cohan, the famous actor and playwright, once said: "There are other things in life besides money, but it doesn't seem so."

There is no real objection to men of wealth dominating the philanthropic, religious, and educational institutions of the Jewish Community, if they have the capabilities and desire to do so. The only valid objection we have against these men usurping these positions is that they are not democratically chosen by the Community. Instead they are self-appointed and self-anointed individuals.

THE ANSWER is in the demoralization of the Jewish Community. The chances are, these same men would be elected to leadership because they have the time, skill, and the money to assume the community's problems, but, by the same token, able men without money could also aspire and be chosen to serve the community, a condition that doesn't exist at the present.

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